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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7180

BILL NUMBER: SB 461

DATE PREPARED: Jan 7, 2002

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Residential sewage discharging systems.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: With respect to onsite residential sewage discharging disposal systems, this bill (1) allows a local health department to issue operating permits under certain circumstances; (2) directs the State Department of Health (DOH) to take action to allow for the issuance of operational permits; (3) directs the Department of Environmental Management to apply for a general permit from the United States Environmental Protection Agency covering the point source discharge from onsite residential sewage discharging disposal systems; and (4) directs DOH to take action to develop new residential septic system technologies.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill directs the DOH to take action to allow for the issuance of operational permits for onsite residential sewage discharging disposal systems. The bill also directs the DOH to take action to develop new residential septic system technologies. Additionally, the bill directs the Department of Environmental Management to apply for a general permit from the United States Environmental Protection Agency to cover the point source discharge from onsite residential sewage discharging disposal systems. The provisions of the bill may also affect monitoring responsibilities for the two departments. The above provisions will have an impact on administrative expenditures. The impact will depend on the implementation of the provisions. (Additional information will be provided when it becomes available.)

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill allows a local health department to issue operating permits under certain circumstances. This provision will increase administrative expenses for local departments. Expenses could, however, be offset by fees assessed permits

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Management.

Local Agencies Affected: Local Health Departments.

Information Sources: Vince Griffin, Indiana Chamber of Commerce.